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1980 county census review

According to the 1980 census, the population of San Juan County has more than doubled since 1950. The current figure is 12,253 residents. This is a 27.6 percent increase from the 1970 figure of 9,606.

The Blanding division was counted at 4,439 with 3,118 within the Blanding city limits. This is a 38.6 increase from the 2,250 1970 figure for Blanding proper.

The Monticello division was reported at 3,027 with 1,929 in the Monticello city limits. This figure is a 34.8 percent from the 1970 figure of 1,531 for Monticello proper.

The Oljato division was counted as 1,680. The Red Mesa Division was figured at 3,107. Neither of these divisions were reported in the 1970 census.

Classified by race, the population of San Juan is white - 6,425; black - 11; American Indian - 5,600; Asian - 40; Spanish origin - 433 and other - 177.

For the Blanding division, the race classification is white - 3,401; black - 7; American Indian - 976; Asian - 21; Spanish origin - 111 and other - 34.

For the Monticello division, the race classification is white - 2,790; black - 3; American Indian - 85; Asian - 9; Spanish origin - 307 and other - 140.

The Oljato division's race classification is white - 99; black - 0; American Indian - 1,580; Asian - 1; Spanish origin - 1 and other - 0.

The race classification for the Red Mesa division is white - 135; black - 1; American Indian - 2,959; Asian - 9; Spanish origin - 14 and other - 3.

The total number of housing units in San Juan County is 3,746, up 55 percent from the 1970 figure of 2,417.

The housing unit figure breaks down to Blanding division - 1,317; Monticello division - 1,029; Oljato division - 488 and Red Mesa division - 912.

The number of housing units within the Blanding city limits is 835, up 44.7 percent from the 1970 figure of 577.

The number of housing units within the Monticello city limits is 635, up 43.7 percent from the 1970 figure of 442.

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